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PHOTOVOLTAIC INCENTIVES



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THE BASICS

What is a solar electric, or photovoltaic (PV), system?

PV technology converts sunlight directly into electricity. It works any time the sun is shining; but more electricity will be produced with more intense light (as on a clear, sunny day) and the more direct the angle of the light (as when the sun is perpendicular to the PV array). Unlike solar systems for heating water (popular for heating pools, etc.), PV technology does not use the sun’s heat to make electricity. Instead, PV technology produces electricity directly from the electrons freed by the interaction of sunlight with certain semiconductor materials in the PV array.

QUICK PROGRAM FACTS

- The level of incentive is \$3.00 per watt, per electric account, per year. Rebate amount cannot exceed \$15,000 or 50% of the project costs whichever is less.
- Project costs include the photovoltaic cells, modules, mounting or tracking structures, wiring, inverters, and utility required interconnection equipment.
- Only CEC certified PV modules and inverters qualify for this program and are subject to approval by RPU. The approved list can be found on the CEC’s website, or can be made available from RPU.
- Qualifying systems must reduce load at the meter site.
- Applicant must sign a Net Energy Metering (NEM) Agreement with the City of Riverside Public Utilities prior to final connection to the grid and before any incentive can be paid.
- Applicant must comply with all Planning, Building and Safety, and Electric Plan-Check procedures.
- Contractors must have one of the following licenses:
 - Electrical C10
 - Engineering A
 - Solar Specialty C46

ADDITIONAL PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

- Customers must fulfill all program guidelines to be eligible for incentives.
- Systems will be inspected before rebate is issued, and must be interconnected to the electric meter.
- Rebates totaling up to \$500 will automatically be credited to the customers account.
- RPU reserves the right to determine program eligibility.

- RPU does not endorse or recommend specific products or dealers nor does it guarantee material or workmanship; acceptance of such is the customer's responsibility.
- A copy of the dated sales receipt must be provided, and is subject to verification. The receipt must note the contractor name, address, manufacturers name, PV and inverter model numbers, and purchase price.
- Financed systems must have a signed contract and proof of payments.
- Incentive will be paid to the electric customer of record only. An exception will be made if the tenant or renter provides proof of purchase.
- In the event it is determined through inspection that the customer is not in compliance with the requirements of the program as set forth in the

- guidelines, RPU may recover the total amount of the incentive paid to customer for non-compliance.
- Customers participating in this program may be asked to complete a telephone/mail in survey that is used as a benchmark for energy savings attributed to the program.
 - This program is available to RPU residential electric customers. If applicant is a tenant or renter, the property owner must sign the application.
 - Application must be submitted within 90 days from the date of purchase.
 - Incentive funds are on a first-come, first-served basis.
 - RPU reserves the right to modify or discontinue this program without prior notice at its discretion.



PHOTOVOLTAIC REBATE APPLICATION

Name on Utility Account		Customer Account Number
Installation Address	Zip	Telephone Number
Mailing Address (if different)	Zip	Purchase Date

Please include copies of dated sales receipts and complete the following information. If more space is necessary, please attach a separate piece of paper. Failure to provide complete information may result in processing delays.

Generating System Information Panel Inverter Model Number _____ Number of Units _____ Inverter Efficiency _____ Power Rating* _____ Total System Output _____ <i>*Power Rating = PTC X Inverter Efficiency PTC = Primary Test Conditions</i>	Incentive Calculation Number of Watts _____ Total Project costs _____ Watts X \$2.00 _____ 1/2 Project Cost _____ Rebate Amount* _____ <i>*Rebate will be the lowest amount of either 50% of the project cost or \$3.00 per watt.</i>
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I certify that I am the owner(s) or tenant(s) of the real property where the improvements have been installed and that I have not previously received, or applied for, other utility financing or incentives for the improvements on this application. I also certify that the foregoing information is true and correct. • I understand and agree that the choice of improvements, the selection of contractors, the purchase of items and acceptance of materials used and work performed and the payments thereof is my responsibility. I understand that Riverside Public Utilities does not endorse, recommend or make any representations as to specific brands, products, contractors or dealers; nor does it guarantee material or workmanship. I further agree to indemnify and hold harmless the City of Riverside, its officers, employees, and agents from any damages related to the use or installation of PV related equipment.

Signature of Applicant	Date	Signature of Owner if Applicant is renter or tenant	Date
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Certification of Delivery		Approved for Payment		Approved for Payment	
Signature		Date		Finance Department	Date